



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application: Morrison et al.) Group Art Unit: 1713
Serial No.: 09/439,655) Examiner: M. Reddick
Filed: November 12, 1999) Atty. Docket No.: 1843

For: LOW APPLICATION TEMPERATURE HOT MELT ADHESIVE

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office action, paper No. 10, mailed October 22, 2002, which set a one (1) month period for response. This communication is being filed to comply with the new amendment format required under 37 CFR § 1.121.

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification

Amend the paragraph set forth on page 2, lines 24-31, to read as follows:

--The ethylene vinyl acetate copolymers (EVA) useful herein are those containing about 30 weight percent to about 50 weight percent vinyl acetate and having a melt index of about 700 dg/min to about 4,000 dg/min. The preferred copolymers are available from EXXON under the designation ESCORENE MV01040 and comprise approximately 40 weight percent vinyl acetate and have a melt index of about 1,000 dg/min. The amount of the copolymer present in the hot-melt adhesive varies from about 5 to 60 weight percent by weight, preferably about 35 to about 45 weight percent by weight.--

Amend the paragraph set forth on page 3, lines 1-7, to read as follows:

--Tackifiers useful in the present invention include terpene, terpene phenolic, modified terpene, and combinations thereof. Terpene phenolic tackifiers also include the

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